



MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Land Use & Environmental Services Agency

Code Enforcement

Q&A Consistency Meeting Agenda for Mechanical, May 2018

1. **Question:** Can the flue (PVC) of a unit heater terminate under the landing of an exterior stairway?

Answer: Since this would be a category IV appliance, the termination would default to the manufacture's installation instruction.

2. **Question:** Does a commercial clothes dryer require a back-draft damper as stated in NCMC 504.4?

Answer: Section 504.4 gives general requirements for dryer exhaust installation, but Section 504.7 gives a specific requirement for Type II dryers requiring them to comply with the appliance installation instructions. If the installation instructions don't require a back-draft damper, then one would not be required.

3. **Question:** Section 504.6.1 requires a dryer duct to be 4 inches in diameter. This has been accepted the pipe must be 4 inch round pipe. Would a dryer box that the pipe must be compressed to enter the box be acceptable?

Answer: If it is a listed box, it would be acceptable. The box would have been tested with the 4 inch compressed and a 3rd party is certifying the box performance. We would not accept a homemade box.